Policy Attachment: 15.14, Adoption Assistance Case File Contents

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Additional Information:

- * All Adoption Assistance Files should be organized and filed in accordance with the outline in this protocol.
 - 1. <u>Initial</u>: This section consists of initial documentation required to establish an adoption assistance case. Appropriate documentation for this section should include the following:
 - a) CS-0460, Intent to Adopt Placement Agreement (Part 1) and Application for Adoption Assistance (Part2)
 - b) **CS-0461, Adoption Assistance Agreement Applied for Prior to October 1, 1997** and supporting medical/psychological documentation
 - c) CS-0513, Adoption Assistance Agreement on or After October 1, 1997 and supporting medical/psychological documentation
 - d) Presentation Summary
 - e) Final Order of Adoption
 - f) CS-0674, Special or Extraordinary Rate Request
 - Renewals/Revisions: This section consists of all information needed for Renewal or Revisions
 made in the Adoption Assistance case. Appropriate documentation for this section should include
 the following:
 - a) **CS-0459, Adoption Assistance Renewal Affidavit** and supporting documentation, (i.e., proof of residency, medical/psychological documentation)
 - b) Cover letter for Renewals
 - c) Certified letter/receipt for CS-0459, Adoption Assistance Renewal Affidavit, not returned
 - d) Revised **CS-0513, Adoption Assistance Agreement on or After October 1, 1997** and supporting documentation
 - e) CS-0686, Notice of Denial, Termination, or Change in Adoption Assistance

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- f) CS-0403, Appeal for Fair Hearing
- 3. <u>Eligibility:</u> This section consists of information related to the child's funding source and continued eligibility for Adoption Assistance payment. Appropriate documentation for this section should include the following:
 - a) Notice of Child Welfare Benefits Summary for Custodial Children
 - b) SSI/SSA Award Letters
 - c) Copy of Social Security Card in Adoptive Name
 - d) Date of Birth Reports CS-0792, Review of Eligibility for Adoption Assistance for Child turning 18, 19, and 20 Years old
 - e) Certification of Eligibility for Title IV-E Adoption Assistance
- 4. **Financial/Expenses**: This section consists of any financial expenses related to the Adoption Assistance case. Appropriate documentation for this section should include the following:
 - a) Attorney Fee Invoice
 - b) Ongoing Services Invoices
 - c) Placement Fee/Home Study Fee Invoices
 - d) ChipFins Screen (from foster care)
 - e) Purchase Services & Goods (PSG) Authorizations
 - f) Substitute W-9 (optional)
 - g) Automated Clearing House (ACH) Form (optional)
 - h) Approval for non recurring expenses if applicable
- 5. Appeals: Appropriate documentation for this section should include the following:
 - a) Appeal Summary
 - b) Appeal Correspondence
 - c) Appeal Orders
- 6. Correspondence/Miscellaneous:
- 7. <u>ICAMA (Interstate Compact on Adoptions and Medical Assistance)</u>: Appropriate documentation for this section should include the following:

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- a) Copy of Memo to Central Office
- b) ICAMA forms

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